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Application of

Applicant : Squires et al  
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Sir:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to examination of the above-identified patent application, please amend the application as follows:

**CLEAN VERSION OF AMENDMENTS**

(A version of these amendments with markings to show the changes is attached to this paper as a separate appendix.)

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claims 4, 6, 8-9 11, 13, 15-17, 20-21, 24-35, 37, 39, 42-44, 49-50 and 52-53 to read as follows:

4. (Amended) A method according to claim 1, wherein the one or more selected characteristics include the pitch between emboss points or the lamination points.

6. (Amended) A method according to claim 1, wherein the one or more selected characteristics include the axes of alignment of the emboss points of the emboss pattern and of the lamination points of the lamination pattern.